Please allow XM and any satellite provider the ability to broadcast and transmit traffic, news, weather and other programming. This type of information is vital for some very important reasons:1) DirecTV and other satellite television providers have been granted the ability to allow subscribers access to local television stations. XM listeners are not even asking for that, all we want is the ability to hear local weather and traffic and other news and information, provided independently from Traffic Pulse and other producers of such content. We are paying for these services with our monthly fees.

2) For people who travel often and far in their automobiles like myself, this service proves invaluable. I will go so far as to say that I feel safer and more comfortable travelling to parts of the United States that I have never been to because I have these valuable services from XM. In this day and age where one's safety is always in danger, even on our home soil, any means and device by which the [paying] public can be better informed is a great service worthy of nurturing and growing.

3) If Congress bows to this attempt by the NAB to squash a valuable element of satellite radio, then why aren't they also helping publishing groups to squash online media and why aren't they helping Network Television Broadcasters top squash cable and satellite television providers. What is the point of holding back a new medium from its full potential? The only ones who suffer in this will be the consumers, the American public! I thought Congress and the FCC were in Washington to represent us and our rights, not to represent a special interest. How far do they want to take it? Are Congress and the FCC going to prevent automakers from installing XM-ready radios? Stop the nonsense!

PLEASE OPPOSE HR 4026

Get rid of this bill, this is the home of the free, not the home of the greedy.